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In re Patent Application of:
Leonard Stevens et al.

Application No.: 10/699208

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Dear Sir:

Enclosed are the following items for filing in connection with the above-referenced Patent Application:

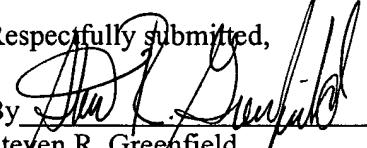
1. PTO Transmittal Letter (in duplicate);
2. Part B Issue Fee Transmittal;
3. Request for Drawing Correction (Figures 6 and 7);
4. Fee Transmittal and Check in the amount of \$1,000 for payment of issue fee; and
5. Postcard Transmittal.

The Director is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this

application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No. 10-0447, under Order No. 64104-00002USPT. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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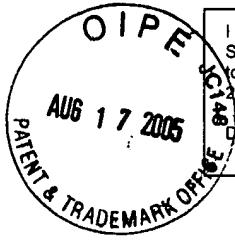
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Dear Sir:

Submitted herewith is one set (two sheets, two figures) of corrected drawings for filing in the above-identified patent application.

The Examiner objected to the drawings for reasons stated in the Examiner's Amendment (Paper No. 06082005) dated June 15, 2005. Specifically, in Figures 6 and 7. The enclosed new drawings correct these informalities.

Favorable consideration of the enclosed drawings is respectfully requested.

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